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The issue fee for the above patent application was paid on 20 December 2004, i.e., approximately nine months ago. However, the patent has not issued yet. Nor has Applicants' Attorney received notification of the patent number. It would be appreciated if the PTO would inform Applicants' Attorney of the printing status for the patent.

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